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Examiner: **THOMAS E. VOLPER** Group Art Unit: **2665**

Title: **CREDIT-BASED ADAPTIVE FLOW CONTROL FOR MULTI-STAGE
MULTI-DIMENSIONAL SWITCHING ARCHITECTURE**

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Introductory Comments

This Preliminary Amendment is submitted concurrently with an RCE and prior to the examination of the above-identified application. Specifically, new claims 19-36 are submitted for the Examiner's review and approval and arguments addressing the Examiner's position in claims 1-18 in the parent application are included.